# **Invest in Iowa State University**

#### Invest in Iowans, Grow Our Economy

#### ✓ ISU Extension and Outreach – 2.6% increase

ISU Fact: ISU Extension assisted 1.8 million agricultural operations, youth and families last year.

- ISU Extension agronomists consulted with more than 10,000 crop farmers.
- 94,000 Iowa youth were involved in 4-H programs, that's 1 in 5 school-age youth.
- The Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) served over 1,400 businesses in 99 counties, helping to add or retain 6,000 jobs. These businesses reported over \$400 million in economic impact.
- ✓ Renew the Regents' Innovation Fund \$3 million total with \$1.05 million to ISU ISU Fact: These funds have supported 77 commercialization projects with 50 companies. ISU Fact: Of the 28 startup companies created, 13 were started as a direct result of ISU technology.

## ✓ ISU Research Park, IPRT and SBDCs – 2.6% increase

*ISU Fact*: ISU's Research Park hosts 59 tenants generating more than \$100 million in economic activity and over 1,200 jobs.

*ISU Fact*: In 5 years, the Institute for Physical Research and Technology (IPRT) assisted 415 Iowa companies in 127 cities, with an annual economic impact of \$12.8 million. *ISU Fact*: Last year, ISU-managed Small Business Development Centers served 2,675 clients, created or retained 1,600 jobs, and generated more than \$67 million in sales increases, new investments, and cost savings.

## ✓ Agriculture Experiment Stations – 2.6% increase

*ISU Fact*: More than 120 faculty work on 500 research projects on ISU research farms statewide. *ISU Fact*: Partnerships with DuPont and John Deere are providing key research and demonstration on the harvest, transportation and storage of corn stover.

## ✓ Leopold Center – 2.6% increase

*ISU Fact:* Since 1988, the Leopold Center has operated a competitive grants program for research, education and demonstration projects focusing on sustainable agriculture.

- ✓ Iowa Livestock Health Advisory Council 2.6% increase

  ISU Fact: These funds provide seed money for research benefiting Iowa's livestock industry.
- ✓ Veterinary Diagnostic Lab (VDL) \$4 million to meet the Legislature's intent ISU Fact: VDL handles 50,000 cases and more than 1 million diagnostics test each year, directly supporting the health, well-being, and competitiveness of Iowa animal agriculture.

  ISU Fact: A 1% increase in animal agriculture productivity (or decrease in mortality) equals a \$100 million annual impact for Iowa.